

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 8, beginning on line 19 with the following:

Advantageously, communication network 200 allows for base station system 250 to transfer ~~transfers~~ call traffic in the second format. Additionally, communication network 200 allows network controller 210 to process call traffic from base station systems from multiple vendors. The ability to add base station systems from different vendors provides flexibility to service providers and reduces costs for service providers.

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, beginning on line 14 with the following:

Communication device 460 is in communication with base station systems 440, 445, and 450 over a wireless communication standard well known to those skilled in the art. Backhaul network 470 may include other devices, systems, or components not shown for the sake of brevity. Similarly, base station systems 440, 445, and 450 may include additional elements, such as digital signal processors, transceivers, and other components well known to those in the art. ~~And~~ An MSC in this embodiment may include a radio network controller (RNC), a base station controller (BSC), or some other control system.

Please replace the paragraph on page 11, beginning on line 19 with the following:

Figure 6 illustrates the operation of call processing system 420 in an embodiment of the invention. To begin, communication device 460 transmits communications for a call to base station systems 445 and 450. Call processing system 420 receives call traffic for the call from base station system 450 via translator system 430 (Step 610). Call processing system 420 notices that the call traffic from translator system 430 was delayed compared to a corresponding call traffic received from base station system 445 (Step 620). The call traffic arrived late due to the delay caused by translating the call traffic from the IOS format to the proprietary format. Rather than immediately discarding the late call traffic because it was delayed, call processing system 420 processes the late call traffic to determine the quality of the delayed call traffic (Step 630). Call processing system 420 begins buffering the call traffic received from base station system 445. The buffered call traffic from base station system 445 is then compared to the corresponding delayed call traffic from base station system 450 to select which call traffic should be forwarded to communication network 405 (Step 650).